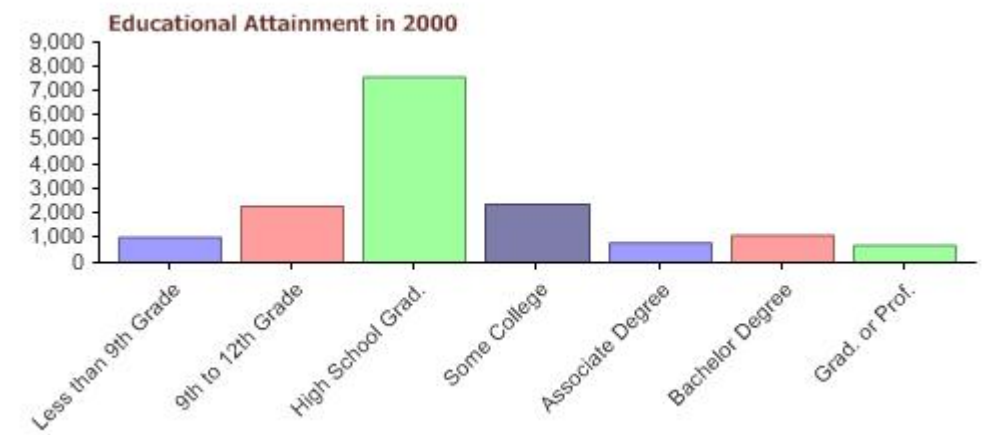


Decatur County, IN Highlights

Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

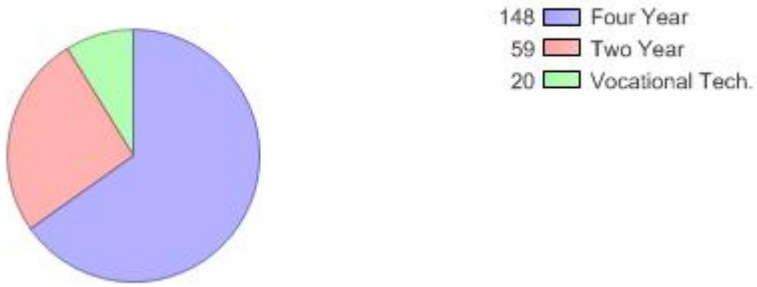
Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	N/A	N/A	14,625	15,948
Less than 9th Grade	N/A	N/A	1,660	1,038
9th to 12th, No Diploma	N/A	N/A	2,386	2,301
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	N/A	N/A	6,950	7,573
Some College, No Degree	N/A	N/A	1,593	2,390
Associate Degree	N/A	N/A	621	817
Bachelors Degree	N/A	N/A	748	1,119
Graduate or Professional Degree	N/A	N/A	667	710



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total Graduates	272	252	254	278
Total to Higher Education	221	193	196	227
Four-Year Institution	162	145	136	148
Two-Year Institution	47	26	37	59
Vocational/Tech.	12	22	23	20
Military	8	10	2	8

2007 Higher Education Intent

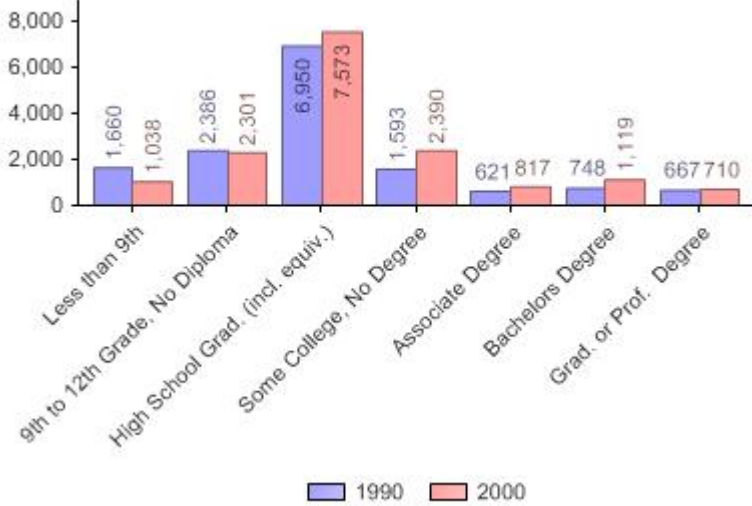


Source: Indiana Department of Education

Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
Total Population 25+	14,625	100.0%	15,948	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	1,660	11.4%	1,038	6.5%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	2,386	16.3%	2,301	14.4%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	6,950	47.5%	7,573	47.5%
Some College, No Degree	1,593	10.9%	2,390	15.0%
Associate's Degree	621	4.2%	817	5.1%
Bachelor's Degree	748	5.1%	1,119	7.0%
Graduate or Professional Degree	667	4.6%	710	4.5%

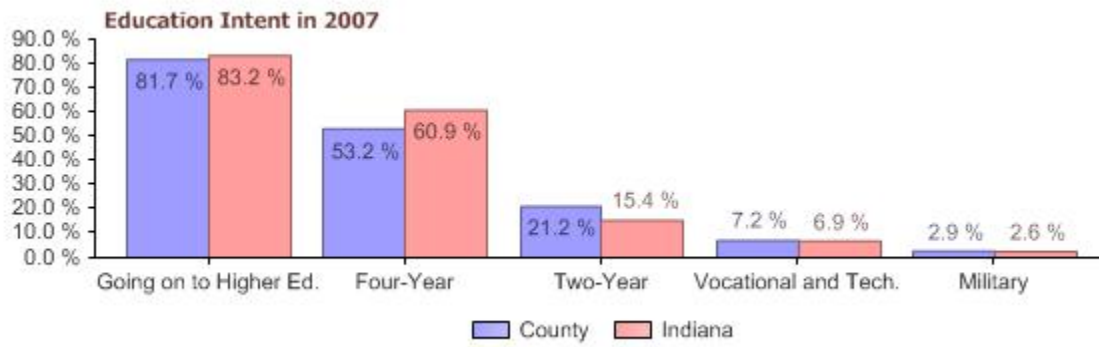
Education Attainment - 1990 vs. 2000



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.
Graduates	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	81.7%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	53.2%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	21.2%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	7.2%	6.9%
Military	2.9%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education